



Dear Parents / Carers and Flamstead Families

This first half term of the academic year has simply flown by. It has been a busy and exciting term and it has been wonderful to see the whole school community settle back into school so well. We have welcomed our new Nursery children and also three new children to KS2 and they have quickly become part of our Flamstead School Community.

This week Bonsai Class had an exceptional day with a visit to the Sky Studios. The children were extremely lucky to not only receive a tour of the Sky Sports News Studio but they also were able to talk with Rob Jones one of the presenters. As they were leaving Rob was live on TV presenting about the Rugby World Cup.

It was lovely to see so many of you at our Parent Consultations this week. Feedback from staff and parents was really positive and we thank you for being so supportive.

This month has been Black History Month. Across the school the children have been exploring historical events and also finding out about important and influential figures. Cherry class have been discussing 'Heroes' and the children were able to choose their own hero to draw. Maple Class have been learning about Mae Jemison and in KS2 Chestnut class have been reading 'Black and British by David Olusoga. Bonsai class have been exploring the theme 'celebrating our sisters' by learning more about fantastic people of black or mixed heritage including Alison Hammond, Mary Seacole, Lauren James, Alicia Dixon, Mel B, Little Simz, Rosa Parks, Leona Lewis, Jade Thirlwall and Leigh-Anne Pinnock. We also discussed Muhammad Ali, George Foreman and Rick James after Miss Pike and another member of the class both attended 'Rumble in the Jungle Live' with their own families this past month.

If you would like to find out more the following websites may be of interest to you.

www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies/joinin/black-history-month

www.blackhistorymonth.org.uk

I hope you all have a wonderful half term break regardless if you are going on holiday or having an activity filled week at home. We look forward to hearing all about the exciting things the children have been up to when we return on Wednesday 1st November .

Mrs J Walton-Jones

Headteacher

Bonsai Class Trip to The Sky Studios

On Thursday, Bonsai class visited Sky Studios where they created their own news report all about social media. They are looking forward to sharing their report with you during their class assembly on Friday 17th November. The children took on the roles of, reporter, expert witness, camera operator, director, editor, screenwriter and producer and communicated across the 4 different studios to ensure they created a factual news report. Sky studios promote the 3 Cs; communication, collaboration and creativity and the children excelled with all these skills. They particularly enjoyed dressing up and using their best accents to enhance their performance and presentation.



Bright Stars! Friday 20th October

Nursery	Cayleb	For his progression in writing. Cayleb has put lots of effort into the writing of his name and is now being challenged to write further words such as writing shopping lists and labelling his pictures.
Reception	Xander	For development of writing words and reading. Xander has put in lots of effort into his learning this half term and has shown pride in his phonics and reading. Well done Xander.
Year 1	Jasper	For fantastic work in phonics this week.
Year 2	Jerry	For great learning about Mae Jemison.
Year 3	Ava	For working consistently this term and using resources to support her independence .
Year 4	Louis	For working hard to improve his handwriting and attention to detail.
Year 5	Evie	For fantastic enthusiasm and engagement at the Sky Studios.
Year 6	Nicholas	For great effort and participation at the Sky Studios.

Times Tables Rockstars—Keep up with your home learning online!


Our champions this week are:

Numbots— Zander, George B and Henry

Times Tables Rockstars— Ava and Dillon

Black History Month - Heroes by Cherry Class

My Black History Hero is...




mary seacole
BARBARA

"because she helped all the soldiers"

"she stayed with us the best"

"she was brave"

My Black History Hero is...



Mary Seacole Barack Obama

"She's my favourite" "cause she's the best"

"she helped the soldiers"

"he's really smart"

"cause he's always the best"

Attendance this week

Year Group	w/b 16/10
Nursery	95%
Reception	98%
Year 1	98%
Year 2	92%
Year 3	93%
Year 4	99%
Year 5	87%
Year 6	100%



Calling All Year Six Parents!

Please make sure you have applied for your child's Secondary school place by the deadline of Tuesday 31st October 2023.

You should apply online at www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/admissions or alternatively if you cannot access the I internet, you can request a printed version of the website information and application from the Admissions and Transport Team by contacting your Process Admissions Officer at Hertfordshire County Council.

Home Learning Over Half Term

There will be no set Home Learning over half term but please carry on reading daily with your child and giving them the opportunity to go onto Times Tables Rockstars and Numbots.

We would also be delighted if as many KS2 children as possible entered the Flamstead 500 Writing competition. There are some fantastic prizes to be won and wouldn't it be wonderful if one of the winners was from our school!



Upcoming dates for your diaries!

Date	Time	Event
23.10.23	All day	Half Term Holiday begins
30.10.23	All day	INSET Day - School closed to pupils
31.10.23	All day	INSET Day—School closed to pupils
31.10.23	All day	Last day for Secondary Applications
02.11.23	9.00—12.00	African Drumming workshop for all children
03.11.23	9.15	Y6 Height and weight checks by school nurses
04.11.23	Evening	Flamstead Village School Fireworks - HELPERS PLEASE
06.11.23	All week	UK Parliament Week
10.11.23	All day	World Science Day
13.11.23	All week	Anti Bullying Week
15.11.23	All day	Individual School Photos
15.11.23	8.50	Bags to School Day—Please leave on grass outside sc
17.11.23	9.00	Bonsai Class Assembly—Parents welcome
21.11.23	Afternoon	Flu immunisations for Reception to Year 6
06.12.23	-	Christmas Dinner and Christmas Jumper Day
08.12.23	4.00—5.30	KS1 School Disco
08.12.23	5.45—7.15	KS2 School Disco
12.12.23	9.30	EYFS / KS1 Christmas Production
13.12.23	4.00	EYFS / KS1 Christmas Production
14.12.23	AM	North Pole Shop - FOFS
14.12.23	PM	Santa's Sleigh visits the village at 5pm
15.12.23	2.30	Christmas service at St Leonards Church
19.12.23	-	Panto and Party Day
20.12.23	1.30	End Of Term

Please put these into your diaries!

Additional dates for the rest of the academic year are on the school website.

Community News and Events



PLACES WHERE KIDS EAT FREE (OR FOR £1) DURING THE OCTOBER HALF TERM 2023

moneysavingcentral.co.uk/kids-eat-free



MORRISONS

Spend £4.49 and get one free kids meal all day, every day.

M&S CAFES

Spend £5 & get one free kid's meal Mon - Fri during the Oct Half term (various dates)

SAINSBURYS CAFES

Kids eat for £1 with the purchase of an adult hot main. From 11:30am every day.

ASDA

Kids eat for £1 All Day, Every Day at Asda cafes, with no adult spend required.

BEEFEATER & BREWERS FAYRE

Two children under 16 can get a free breakfast every day with one paying adult!

THE REAL GREEK

Kids under 12 eat FREE every Sunday for every £10 spent by an adult

TRAVELODGE & PREMIER INN

Buy 1 Adult Breakfast from just £8.99 & up to two kids eat breakfast for free

SIZZLING PUBS

Every Monday to Friday, 3 - 7pm, kids' mains are £1 with every adult meal.

TGI FRIDAYS

Kids Eat Free When 'Stripes Rewards Members' purchase any adult meal (Via App)

PRETO

Kids up to age 10 eat free all day, every day with paying adults at Preto in Half Terms

YO! SUSHI

From Monday 16th October - Friday 27th 2023 kids eat free with every £10 adult spend

GORDON RAMSEY RESTAURANTS

Kids under 8 eat FREE all day, every day at selected Gordon Ramsay restaurants

BILLS

2 kids eat FREE Monday - Friday from Monday 23rd October - Friday 3rd November 2023

BELLA ITALIA

Children eat for £1 with any adult main. The offer is valid 4-6pm Mon to Thurs.

WHITBREAD INNS

Two kids under 16 eat for FREE with every adult breakfast purchased

TABLE TABLE

Two children under 16 can get a free breakfast every day with one paying adult!

PAUSA CAFE @ DUNELM

Kids get 1 mini main, 2 snacks & a drink FREE with every £4 spend after 3pm

IKEA

Kids get a meal from 95p daily from 11am

HUNGRY HORSE

Kids eat for £1 on Mondays

FUTURE INNS

Under 5s eat for free with any adult meal.

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FLAMSTEAD Spooky HOUSE HUNT



JOIN IN THE HALLOWEEN FUN 28th OCTOBER

TO TAKE PART- Go all out!... Decorate the front of your house/windows with spooky lights and mystical decorations, message me on 07958 610853 to register along with your location to be put on the list.

SPOOKY HUNTERS- Get dressed up in your scariest costume, yes adults too! Come grab a spooky house list and if you fancy it Caitlin will be here to give your face a spooky makeover from 4-6pm 54B Trowley hill Road

From 6pm Carry on the fun and head to The **CHURCH YARD** you can chill with your chosen poison, **FLAME WOOD FIRED CATERING** will be serving their delicious freshly cooked pizzas with all sorts of yummy toppings!

for insurance reasons/health and safety and respect please make sure you supervise your children near gravestones and tombs.

Everything raised will go to the Alzheimer's Society.

